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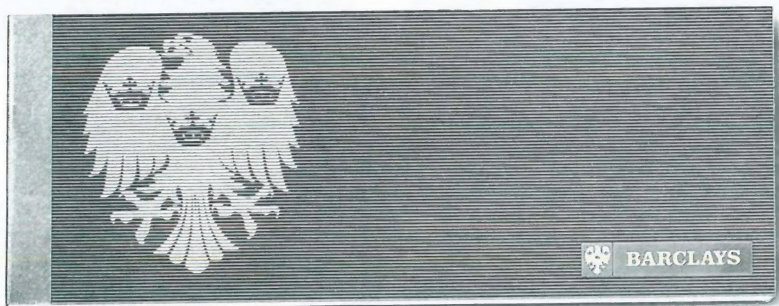
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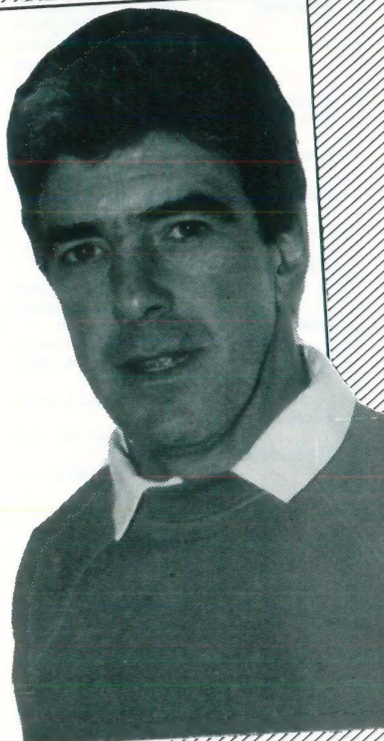
*as Bryan sees it . . .*

Our last two performances brought back a little bit of pride after the Bristol Rovers disappointment. We played well against Brentford and thoroughly deserved our 2-1 win.

Against Tranmere Rovers I felt we were as good as them on the night and it took a goal a bit different to break the deadlock. They got the break and went on to score a good set piece second goal. I believe that if Tranmere Rovers are one of the better teams, we must believe we can certainly improve our league position. Teams who are in contention for promotion make things happen, we must learn to do the same.

Tonight it's Phil Neal and his team from Bolton, who have not disappointed me at all. I felt they could gain promotion and they are going to be up there when May comes along. This makes our game tonight even more exciting and I hope that everyone enjoys the whole evening. Lets hope that football is the winner so make sure we all enjoy our own team and appreciate the other side.

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# A Quick Word from "Cribs"

Here's the latest news on injuries from Alex.....

**RAY WOODS:** Ray played in the Youth Team at Liverpool but had to come off after straining his adductor muscle (groin area). Hopefully it's not as bad as last time, although his return is unknown he is doing light training.

**SIMON ANDREWS:** Simon cracked his big toe playing in the reserves, home to Sheffield Wednesday Res. He is able to do body exercises and should make a return in 2 weeks.

**MARK HILDITCH:** Mark will play in the friendly with Oldham Athletic Reserves, but he gets knee pains during matches. An x-ray of the troublesome knee showed nothing, so Mark may have to endure some pain when playing.



## COMPETITION — COMPETITION

Tonight we have a great competition for you!!

It's simple to enter and the prize is well worth winning.

For the winner we have a football autographed by the Manchester United team — that's £13 million worth of signatures! and they've signed the ball especially for Wigan Athletic.

So what do you have to do?

We've dug out a photo from the Latics picture library showing David Hamilton, Steve Senior, Andy Pilling and Alex Cribley full of smiles coming off the pitch.

Now, just enter a witty caption in the space provided and, along with the picture, cut it out and send it to:

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# WOMEN IN FOOTBALL

JACKIE SLACK  
(Ipswich and England)



If a smirk comes to your face when womens football is mentioned — then think again!! Last Saturday Springfield Park hosted the WFA Cup Quarter Final match PRESTON RANGERS v IPSWICH TOWN.

The two teams provided a highly entertaining game and there was plenty of talented players on show. England International Jackie Slack was outstanding for Ipswich and captained her team with great authority. But it was Preston who came out 2-1 winners with two goals by Karen Mashiter. Her first was a 25 yard shot which left Tracy Perry in the Ipswich goal grasping thin air, Karens second was a well placed free kick from just outside the box which any player would have been proud of. There were no holds barred in tackles and challenges for the ball and for the fans who attended they certainly did their fair share of shouting.

Here's a potted history of Womens Football.....

1917 - Women's factory teams in Lancashire play fund-raising games in aid of war charities.

1943 - Women's matches organised once again for war appeal.

1965 - 'Dick Kerr's' Preston Ladies disband. During its 800-game history, club had represented England and for many years became undisputed world champions.

1967 - Organised women's football gains momentum following England's success in World Cup Series of women's leagues established.

1969 - Women's Football Association formed with 44 clubs in membership. Objective to promote women's and girls football in England.

1970 - Following WFA presentation, FA rescind rule of 1921 banning women from playing organised football. Women's teams allowed to play on FA pitches.

CCPR, Department of Environment and Sports Council follow suit.

1971 - FIFA and UEFA recognise women's game and encourage members to implement measures for its proper control.

Southampton win first Women's FA Cup Final.

1972 - WFA form England International side.

Defeat Scotland 3-2 in the UK's first ever women's international match.

1980 - Official WFA headquarters established and full-time administrator appointed.

1982 - Women's European Championships inaugurated.

1984 - England reach final of European Championships losing 4-3 on penalties to Sweden. WFA affiliate to FA and gain full County status.

1985 - England win Mundialito tournament - Little World Cup - in Italy defeating host nation 3-2. Semi final opponents United States boast 3 million registered players.

1987 - England reach Semi-final of European Championship losing 3-2 to Sweden after extra-time.

1988 - England win Mundialito Tournament for second time. Voted Sunday Times 'Sportswomen's Team of the Year'.

1989 - Women's FA Cup, staged at Old Trafford on April 23rd, televised by Channel 4 television. Viewing figures in excess of 2.5 million generated on Sunday afternoon programme.

First full women's match to be staged at Wembley Stadium sees England National side defeated 2-0 by Sweden, before men's Rous Cup match versus Chile. Highlights shown on BBC Sportsnight.

WFA membership grows to include 9 regions, 21 leagues, over 250 clubs and 8,000 registered players - the highest level of participation in over a decade. Growth of sport recognised by presentation of Sunday Times CCPR 'Sports Administrator of the Year Award' to Linda Whitehead, WFA Secretary.

1990 - William Hill's, the bookmaker, announce first ever odds on Women's football, for the 1989-90 WFA Cup.

Channel 4 schedule 4 hours of WFA Cup and UEFA championship highlights for screening in April. The WFA Cup Final to be hosted by Derby County FC at the Baseball Ground.

1991 - First ever World Cup Finals for women to be held in China.



# TERRACE TALK



## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

by Colin Grethe

Tonight we feature a player who left Wigan Athletic back in September 1977 — **DANNY WILSON**.

Danny, born on New Years Day in 1960, was an apprentice at Springfield Park but moved on a free transfer to Bury to begin his League career. In July 1980 he was sold to Chesterfield for £100,000 where he made 117 appearances and in January 1983 he moved to Nottingham Forest in a part exchange deal.

He never settled at Forest, playing only 9 games, and in October of that year went on loan to Scunthorpe.

In January 1984 Brighton paid £450,000 to Forest and Danny played 155 times for the team from the Goldstone Ground before moving to his present club Luton Town.

Full Name: Danny Wilson

Birthplace: Wigan

Favourite Player: Was Kenny Dalglish, now Diego Maradona

Best Stadium played in: Nou Camp (Barcelona)

Most memorable moment: My International debut, plus scoring at Wembley.

Biggest disappointment: Not qualifying for the World Cup finals.

Biggest influence on career: Peter Doherty ex-Manchester City and N. Ireland wing half and ex-Sunderland scout.

What were your first thoughts on leaving Wigan Athletic?: Just thanks for starting me on the road to being a full-time pro.

What do you remember most about Wigan Athletic?: Kenny Banks — Wigan runs through his blood.

What are the training sessions/facilities like at Luton?: We try to vary every training session to keep it interesting, the facilities are very good.

What are your views on the plastic pitch?: There are lots of pro's and con's.

What is your most memorable moment at Luton?: Getting to Wembley 4 times in 2 seasons.

What exciting players are in the Luton team?: Kingsley Black, Lars Elstrup, David Preece and some very good young boys coming through.

What do you hope to do when your playing career ends?: Hopefully open a restaurant.

Have you got a message for any Wigan Athletic fans?: Just my uncle — Raymond Kirk, keep up the good work and keep cheering the lads on.

Many thanks for talking to us Danny, best wishes to you and everyone at Luton Town F.C.



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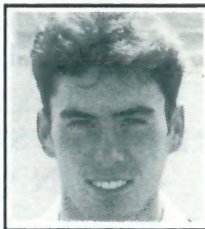
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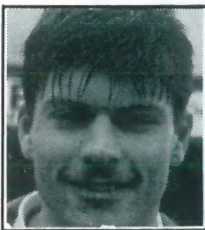
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# JUNIOR LATICS

Good Evening,

Welcome to tonight's game and a warm welcome to all the Bolton fans, particularly Junior Whites, who I am sure are going to fill the visitors end of the ground, hoping to see their team take another step nearer promotion.

During tonight's game a number of Junior Latics will once again be taking part in the Tidy Britain campaign under the supervision of Emma (campaign co-ordinator). They will be on the terraces and in the stand disposing of any litter they find. Please do all you can to assist them.

Our last social evening was held in the 100 Club where some of our players showed their artistic talents in a game of "win, lose or draw." Special thanks to Allen Tankard, Nigel Adkins, Ray Woods, Phil Daley and Shaun Fallon who joined in the fun, although I think they will agree, Rolf Harris has nothing to fear from them.

Allen B. Wilkinson.  
 Chairman.



Tonight's mascot is 11 year old Paul Just from Whelley.

Paul, who attends Mabs Cross school, is our under 11's centre-half and his favourite player is

Neill Rimmer  
 Enjoy the match Paul.

## THE FAMILY GAME

More and more clubs are providing modern facilities to enable families to watch and enjoy our national game in safety and comfort.

Family stands and enclosures are a common feature of League grounds and form part of a major programme to improve football stadia throughout the United Kingdom. This season will see

further projects including new and better toilet facilities, especially for female fans, the provision of seating in existing covered areas and improved accommodation for supporters with disabilities.

The Football Grounds Improvement Trust is responsible for all these measures. Each year it receives half of the £9.5 million donated by Littlewoods, Vernons and Zetters from their Spotting-the-Ball competition and spends it on schemes to improve standards at League grounds in Britain.





# ACTION SPECIAL



**ACTION v TRANMERE**

Derek Davies—Club Photographer



LADIES IN ACTION



## PRESTON RANGERS v IPSWICH TOWN

Vanessa Kemp builds another attack for Ipswich.

# Football in the Community

Over the last few weeks I have been able to successfully introduce the players of Wigan Athletic to the younger members of our community.

Three weeks ago I brought Phil Hughes, Andy Pilling and Alan Johnson to Cardinal Newman Secondary School. The three players answered the questions set by the pupils for half an hour before signing autographs and posing for photographs.

The following week Coppull County Primary School invited myself and Steve Senior, Jimmy Carberry and Alan Tankard for a question and answer session. This proved to be as successful and enjoyable as the afore mentioned session and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the players involved and I know they enjoyed it just as much as the children.

I am trying new ideas to extend the club's good public relations but any suggestions are always welcome. I can be contacted on Wigan 824599 and I have nine members of staff on my coaching team all here to provide for you — the community.

Bolton Wanderers Football in the Community has supplied a mascot for their team today. He is Paul Crompton. Paul is nine years old and attends Hindley Green County Primary School. He is a left winger and his favourite players include David Reves and Julian Darby. Paul likes all sports but tells me he dislikes brussel sprouts!!!

Best of luck to the Latic's for today's game.

Peter Cunningham

# QUIZ TIME



1 Name five players who have played for both Wigan and Bolton in the Football league.

2 Name the only Latics player to score a hat-trick against Bolton.

3 Name the present Chorley player who scored two goals for Bolton in the Northern Final of the 1985/86 Freight Rover Trophy.

4 In which season did Wigan complete the League double over Bolton.

5 Which player made his Wigan league debut this season against Bolton at Burnden Park.

6 Which player made his Wigan debut in the Leyland Daf match against Bolton this season.

7 Name the player to score the only goal in the above Leyland Daf match.

8 Name the ex-Bolton manager who was appointed the manager of Chorley last month.

9 Who scored the Latics goal at Springfield Park last season in the 1-1 draw.

10 Which former Bolton player who scored against Wigan in the 1986/87 season is now a current football league manager.

Answers opposite page.

## AWAY DAY

## SHREWSBURY TOWN

**Founded:** 1886  
**Turned Professional:** 1905  
**Limited Company:** 1936  
**Admitted to League:** 1950  
**Former Name:** None  
**Nickname:** 'Town' 'Shrews'  
**Ground:** Gay Meadow, Shrewsbury, SY2 6AB

**Record Attendance:** 18,917 (26/4/61)  
**Colours:** Shirts — White with Blue trim  
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**Telephone No.:** (0743) 60111  
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**Pitch size:** 116 x 75yds  
**Ground Capacity:** 16,800  
**Seating Capacity:** 4,500

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**Food & Drink:** Snack Bars throughout  
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**Capacity of Stand:** 500  
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**Opening Times:** Match days only  
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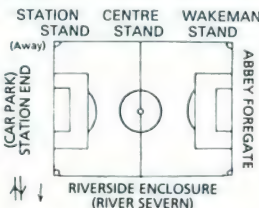
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## WIGAN ATHLETIC

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3	ALLEN TANKARD
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| 2  | PHIL BROWN       |
| 3  | BARRY COWDRILL   |
| 4  | PAUL COMSTIVE    |
| 5  | MARK CAME        |
| 6  | MARK WINSTANLEY  |
| 7  | STUART STORER    |
| 8  | STEVE THOMPSON   |
| 9  | DAVID REEVES     |
| 10 | TONY PHILLISKIRK |
| 11 | JULIAN DARBY     |
| 12 | ROBBIE SAVAGE    |
| 14 | NICKY BROOKMAN   |

# COMING NEXT

BARCLAYS LEAGUE  
DIVISION THREE  
**HUDDERSFIELD TOWN**  
Saturday, 24th March, 1990  
Kick-Off 3.00 p.m.

# MEET OUR VISITORS

## AT CLOSE RANGE Bolton Wanderers

**PHIL NEAL**  
(Manager)



**Back Row Left/Right:**

Ian Callaghan, Gary Henshaw, Paul Hughes, David Felgate, Julian Darby, Ian Stevens, Chris O'Brien.

**Middle Row Left/Right:**

Phil Neal (Manager), Steve Carroll (Youth Coach), Nicky Brookman, Gary Brown, Stuart Storer, Trevor Morgan, David McKeirney, Robbie Savage, Jeff Chandler, Mick Brown (Coach), Phil Stock (Physio).

**Front Row Left/Right:**

John Thomas, Steve Elliot (now at Bury), Phil Brown, Mark Came, Mark Winstanley, Dean Crombie, Barry Cowdrill, Steve Thompson.



# THE OPPOSITION

## DAVE FELGATE

Began his career at Burnden Park as an apprentice but made his league bow on loan with Rochdale. He was later sold to Lincoln without making a league appearance for Bolton and after making 198 appearances for the Sincil Bank club moved to Grimsby. He returned to Bolton in February 1987, after a loan spell the previous term, and has been an everpresent since then and now has over 400 appearances to his name.

## PHIL BROWN

Signed for Bolton in a £17,000 transfer from Halifax Town during June 1988 and was the only outfield player to have an everpresent record last term. Commenced his league career with Hartlepool where he made over 200 league appearances before completing 135 games for Halifax. He was appointed club captain early last season — taking over from the injured Mark Came.

## PAUL COMSTIVE

Paul was born in Southport, he started out with Blackburn Rovers juniors and has also played for Rochdale, Wigan Athletic (1983-84), Wrexham and Burnley. Bolton paid the Turf Moor club £38,000 for the talented midfielder.

## BARRY COWDRILL

Made over 100 league appearances in an eight year spell with West Bromwich who secured his services from Sutton Coldfield Town. Joined Bolton in July 1988 and made 38 league appearances last term. He can also play on the left side of midfield — a position where he began his career.

## DEAN CROMBIE

An experienced player who forced his way back into the first team last February which coincided with the Wanderers twenty game unbeaten run. Scored his first goal for the club in the Sherpa Van Trophy at Wembley. Previous clubs include Lincoln and Grimsby before signing for Bolton in June 1987. He clocked up his 400th league appearance last term.

## MARK WINSTANLEY

Born St. Helens, he came through the clubs youth ranks to make his league debut in March 1986. He became a regular in the run in to promotion from the fourth division in 1988 and missed only two league games last season. His consistent

performances led to him collecting the clubs 'Player of the Year' award.

## MARK CAME

Came to Burnden from non-league Winsford United in 1984 and quickly forced his way into the league side. He has since made almost 150 appearances but missed practically all of last season when he suffered a broken leg in the Littlewoods Cup tie at Chester.

## JULIAN DARBY

Signed for the Wanderers straight from school and is currently the only Bolton born player in the first team squad. He made his debut in March 1986 and has since proved his versatility with consistent performance in both the midfield and defensive departments. Missed only two league games last term and scored the Wanderers opening goal against Torquay at Wembley.

## DAVID REEVES

David was signed from Sheffield Wednesday, the fee was fixed by a tribunal at £80,000 this after the two clubs could not agree, Wednesday were asking for £250,000. David has settled well into the side scoring 10 goals this season.

## TONY PHILLISKIRK

Tony signed for Bolton from Preston North End for £50,000, his previous clubs include Sheffield United and Rotherham. He is Wanderers leading scorer this season with 17 goals.

## STEVE THOMPSON

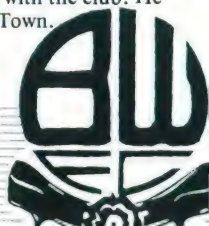
The Clubs longest serving professional who progressed through the youth ranks to make his league debut in November 1982. Has since made almost 250 league appearances in three divisions for the club and missed only three games last season.

## NICKY BROOKMAN

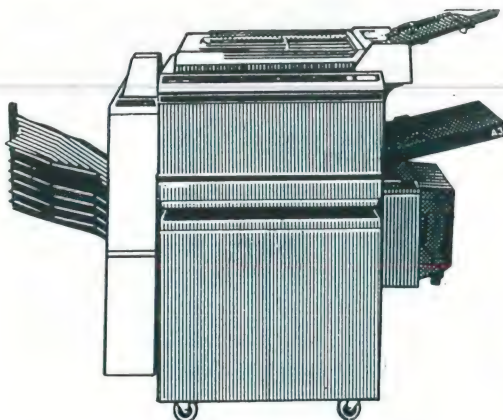
Came to Burnden as a youth player after spells with Newport County, Aston Villa and Wrexham. Made his league debut in April 1987 and has since made over 50 appearances for the club.

## STUART STORER

Joined the Wanderers in January 1988 for £25,000 from Everton after a loan spell with the club. He began his career with Mansfield Town.



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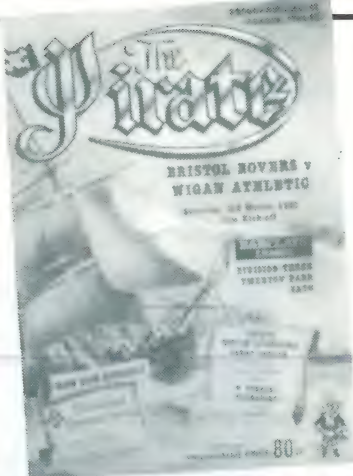
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## PROGRAMME REVIEW

There's no doubt that at Bristol Rovers a fortnight ago we came across one of the better programmes we shall see on our travels this season. It was priced at 80 pence and contained 52 pages with some interesting articles.

One of these articles was a reaction to a 'Mail on Sunday' report by journalist Harry Miller exposing the fact that a football league committee headed by league President Bill Fox was seriously examining the return of regionalised soccer. A poll was conducted by the paper of the existing clubs in the third and fourth divisions with no real conclusive result. In the poll 17 clubs including ourselves wished to return to regionalised football, 20 voted against, while 11 clubs were undecided as to the virtues each way.

Other articles of note include a light hearted programme revue, an interview with the Chairman of the supporters club, details of rovers matches against ex league clubs, and even a revue of the cockney latic fanzine. The programme contains articles by the club captain and the physiotherapist.

The Wigan coverage is on three pages. One page which I did not enjoy reading was on a previous meeting which covered the match at Springfield Park on 2nd September, 1983 when Wigan suffered their heaviest home defeat in the league, going down 5-0.

In conclusion the programme was an excellent read, and a credit to the club and full marks should be given to everybody connected with the production.

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 Favourite present player  
 Favourite other clubs  
 Best ground visited  
 Worst ground visited — and why  
 How many grounds have you been to  
 Best moment watching Latics  
 Worst moment watching Latics  
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## Places of Interest

Wigan Pier, Martin Mere, Camelot, Haigh Hall Country Park, Three Sisters Recreation Area, Beacon Country Park.

## Activities

In the area are golf, sailing, riding and swimming.

## Entertainment

Theatre, Concert Hall, Cinemas in the nearby town of Wigan, and of course, MIRAGE our own exclusive nightclub.

(Planned for 1990 - Leisure Centre with mini gym, splash pool, steam baths, solarium, jacuzzi).







# DIVISION 3 News by Geoff Lea

The deadline for league clubs to register new players for the current season is 5.00 p.m. on Thursday 22nd March, 1990.

Players signed after that date can only play in Barclays league matches with the special permission of the football league Management Committee.

Such consent is only forthcoming in circumstances where the match in question has no bearing on promotion or relegation issues.

On the transfer scene, Crewe Alexandra have paid a club record fee to sign forward Darren Foreman for £80,000 from Barnsley. Steve Terry has joined Northampton for £75,000 from Hull. He joined Hull from Watford for £100,000 in 1988.

Notts County have signed Manchester City defender Gary Fleming, a Northern Ireland international on a months loan as cover for the suspended Charlie Palmer.

Former latics player and Liverpool star Alan Kennedy has signed a three month contract with fourth division Wrexham. The club hope that Kennedy's experience will help the club in the battle to avoid relegation from the football league.

Off the field Brentford have announced a bumper profit of £134,681 for the year ending 31st May, 1989, their third successive year in the black.

On the managerial front Cyril Knowles, the ex-Tottenham player who has managed Darlington, Torquay and Hartlepool is in line to take over at Preston.

Finally everyone connected with Wigan Athletic send their heartfelt condolences to the family of Dean Harris, the Bristol City midfielder who was killed in a car crash last Saturday.

## BARCLAYS LEAGUE

FACTS & FIGURES

### TOP SCORERS

(As at 12th March, 1990)

Ian Muir, Tranmere.....	25
Dean Holdsworth, Brentford	21
Bob Taylor, Bristol City....	21
Bobby Williamson, Rotherham	21
John McGinlay, Shrewsbury.	18
Tony Philliskirk, Bolton....	18
Stuart Rimmer, Walsall.....	18
Trevor Senior, Reading.....	17

### DIVISION 3 (As at March 12th, 1990)

	P	W	D	L	Pts
Tranmere.....	33	18	6	9	60
Bristol City.....	30	18	5	7	59
Bristol R.....	30	15	11	4	56
Notts City.....	32	16	8	8	56
Bolton Wand.....	31	15	10	6	55
Rotherham.....	33	14	9	10	51
Bury.....	34	14	8	12	50
Huddersfield.....	31	13	9	9	48
Birmingham.....	32	15	7	12	46
Crewe.....	32	10	13	9	43
Fulham.....	33	11	10	12	43
Brentford.....	33	13	3	17	42
Swansea.....	33	11	9	15	42
Shrewsbury.....	32	10	11	11	41
Reading.....	31	9	13	13	40
Chester.....	35	9	13	13	40
Wigan.....	32	9	12	11	39
Leyton O.....	32	11	5	16	38
Preston.....	33	10	6	17	36
Cardiff.....	31	8	11	12	35
Mansfield.....	32	10	4	18	34
Northampton.....	29	8	9	12	33
Blackpool.....	31	7	10	14	31
Walsall.....	31	5	10	16	25

# PAST ENCOUNTERS

## PAST RESULTS ON THIS DATE — MARCH 16th

Year	Opponents	Competition	Venue	Result	Scorers
1935	Stockport County Res.	Cheshire League	Home	3-1	Roberts, Robson, Scott
1938	Burnley	N. Midweek League	Home	1-4	Graham
1940	Northwich Victoria	Cheshire League Western	Away	1-4	Thomas
1946	Wellington Town	Cheshire League	Home	3-1	Taylor, Hampson, Roberts
1957	Droylsden	Lancs. Combination	Home	4-1	W. McLean (2), B. Banks, K. Banks
1963	Winsford United	Cheshire League	Away	0-1	
1966	Frickley Colliery	Cheshire League	Home	7-0	Lyons (3), Llewellyn (3), Stanley
1974	Goole Town	N.P.L.	Away	1-2	Worswick (pen)
1982	Darlington	Division 4	Away	1-3	Glenn

## PAST MEETINGS v BOLTON WANDERERS

Season	Competition	Home	Away
1981/82	John Brown Testimonial	1-0	
1983/84	Lancs. Manx Cup	0-0	
1983/84	Division 3	0-1	1-0
1984/85	Division 3	1-0	0-1
1985/86	Division 3	1-3	2-1
1985/86	Freight Rover Trophy North Final	0-1 (1st Leg)	1-2 (2nd Leg)
1986/87	Lancs Manx Cup		4-3
1987/88	Littlewoods Cup 1st Round	2-3 (1st Leg)	3-1 (2nd Leg)
1988/89	Lancs Manx Cup	0-1 (at Oldham)	
1988/89	Division 3	1-1	(0-0 Ab.) 1-1
1989/90	Lancs Manx Cup	1-0	
1989/90	Division 3		2-3
1989/90	Leyland Daf Cup	1-0	

## WELCOME BACK

Here are the latics Record of former players — Paul Comstive and Stuart Storer.

Name	Lge	Lge Cup	FA Cup	AMC	Total	Goals
COMSTIVE (1983/84, 1984/85)	35	5	4	1	45	2
STORER (on loan from Everton 1987/88)	9(3)	4			13(3)	



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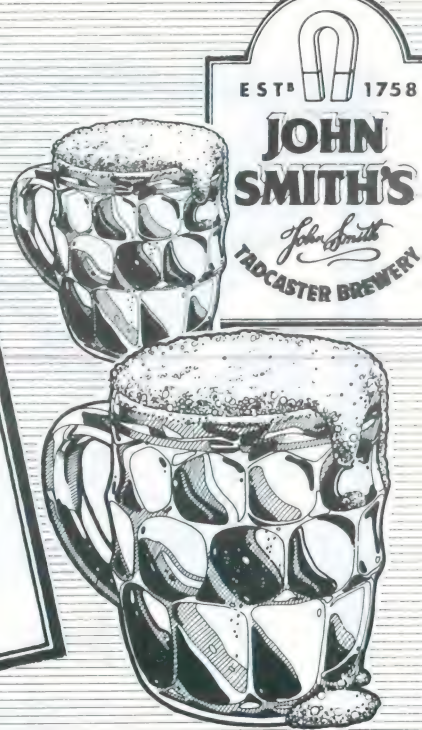
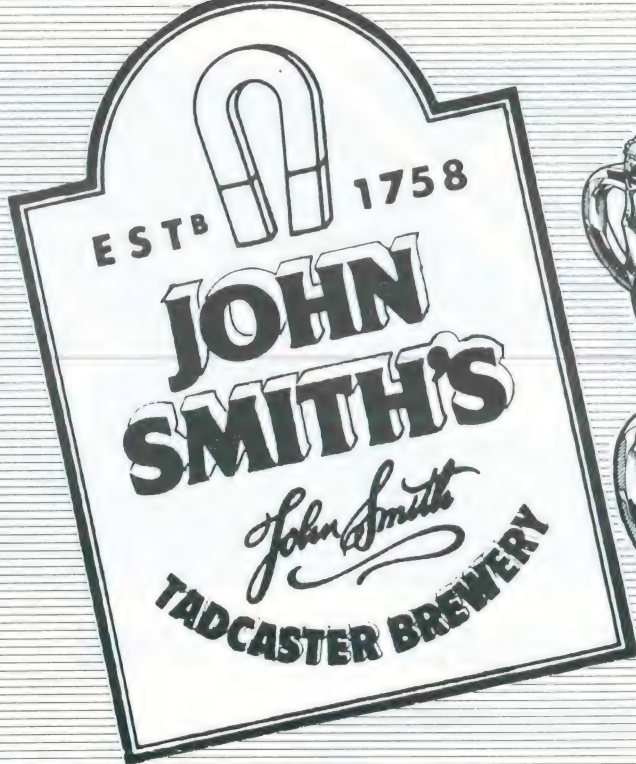
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This includes evening dinner on Friday with entertainment at night. Full English breakfast Saturday morning, A.G.M., coffee, tea and biscuits, Cup Final Grandstand, evening dinner, disco and quiz in the evening.

Sunday, full English breakfast and traditional Sunday lunch. All rooms have phone, colour T.V., tea and coffee making facilities. Hotel facilities include two bars, games room, gym, jacuzzi, t.v. room.

For further details contact Joe Mills in the supporters club.

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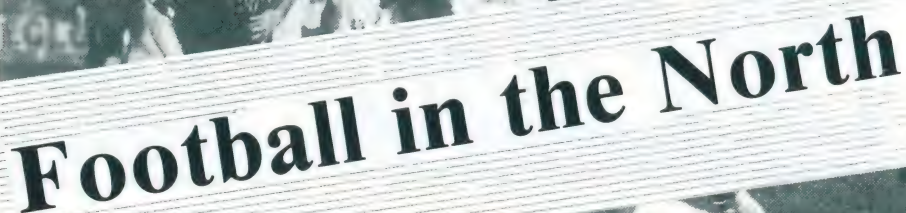
Bookings are being taken in the club or shop for the away games to Tranmere and Northampton. See Jeff Rourke for details.

The club is available for Private Functions:- Weddings, anniversaries, parties, engagements etc. Contact Carol Liptrot on 43512

Enjoy the game  
Alan Liptrot  
Chairman







# Football in the North

We're on the 'run in' to the season, where will the Northern clubs end up? Let's look at the tea leaves and make some bold predictions, and see if you agree.....eat your heart out Russell Grant!

## **DIVISION ONE**

### **LIVERPOOL**

As ever, sitting near the top, just 2 points behind Aston Villa with a game in hand, but the boys from the Midlands will keep up the pace and hold on for the title!

The mighty reds have to face QPR in an FA Cup replay at Anfield, but this should provide a ticket into the semi-finals where they would face Crystal Palace. They are still smarting from that 9-0 drubbing so won't cause much fuss, will they meet United in the final?

### **MANCHESTER UNITED**

Have had as much trouble off the pitch as on it this season. However, they will avoid the drop and Fergie will be a hero by beating Liverpool in the Cup!

### **EVERTON**

Out of the cup and out of the race for the championship, they just haven't got what it takes this season, expect some changes before next season.

### **MANCHESTER CITY**

Despite bringing in Howard Kendall City look doomed for Division two, Mr. Swales' wallet won't save them either!

## **DIVISION TWO**

### **OLDHAM**

They will have their great day out in the Littlewoods Cup, despite losing to Forest, in the FA Cup Aston Villa will conquer the plastic pitch to keep up speculation of a double, so it leaves promotion to Division 1, they may just sneak it in the play-offs.

### **BLACKBURN ROVERS**

So often at the wedding but never the bride, their home form has let them down this season so expect to see them in Division 2 next year!

## **DIVISION THREE**

### **TRANMERE**

Will get into Division 2 through the play-offs, however they will need a better squad to stay there — ask Walsall!

### **BOLTON**

They will come good and book their place in Division Two (only after tonight hopefully), with a few additions the Wanderers have the players to stay there too.

### **BURY**

Their away form has been good but valuable points have been lost at Gigg Lane, see you next season!

### **CHESTER**

They are concentrating on getting a ground to play at!

### **PRESTON**

Everyone shouts about Oldhams pitch being the reason for their great run, has anybody told Preston? Should be good enough to steer clear of relegation.

### **BLACKPOOL**

We will lose a good local derby when the Seasiders drop into the 4th.

## **DIVISION FOUR**

### **STOCKPORT**

If they improve their away form expect a trip there next season.

### **ROCHDALE**

The best they can expect is a play-off spot!

### **BURNLEY**

The purchase of Ron Fothergill hasn't reaped the rewards they expected, it is sad to see this once great club in such a position.

### **WREXHAM**

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# RESERVES & YOUTH

With no fixture for the reserve side last week, a friendly against Oldham Athletic managed to be arranged. Oldham fielded a strong side consisting of a number of first team players and indeed it was nice to see ex-Wigan Athletic player Andy Holden back after injury. It was a great opportunity for our young side to measure themselves against Oldham and although losing the game 2-1 they did come out of the game with credit. After conceding an early goal and getting adjusted to the Bounday Park surface we played some excellent football and got a deserved equaliser through a Don Page penalty.

We then allowed Oldham to get back on front through slack marking in our own box, resulting in a clumsy last minute challenge, the penalty awarded, sending Nigel Adkins the wrong way. The second half saw four chances for either side but I'm sure that Oldham like ourselves were pleased by the high standard of football produced during the second period. The fixture was of great value giving us chance to see the progress being made by some of our younger players.

## Commercial Call

A new shop has opened, situated in the stands and collectors are able to purchase a wide range of football programmes. Along with this seasons Latics programmes (Home and Away) we have a mixture of 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Division team programmes to choose from — the numbers are increasing all the time.

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